



MINUTES

Of a meeting of the College Council in the New SCR at 1:10 pm on Tuesday 9 October 2018

There were present: The Master, the Vice-Master, the Bursar, the Senior Tutor, Mr Matheson, Professor Cant, the Revd Canon Shilson-Thomas, Dr Rana, Ms MacDonald, Professor Ellis, Dr Beauregard and Mr Nicholson. The MCR President and the JCR President were present for the Unreserved Business. Dr Smith was in attendance as Secretary.

UNRESERVED BUSINESS

cc2018.216 Starred Items

It was agreed that starred items should not be discussed.

cc2018.217 Statement of Conflicts of Interest

All senior members present, except for the Master and Mr Nicholson, declared a conflict of interest regarding item cc2018.223.

cc2018.218 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from the JCR Treasurer and the MCR Treasurer. The Master welcomed Professor Ellis to her first Council meeting.

cc2018.219 Minutes of the Unreserved Council Meeting held on 11 September 2018

The Minutes were agreed and signed.

cc2018.220 Phase III and Old Library

The Bursar reported that plans for Phase III were now out to tender, and that there were three interested parties. The Auditorium Committee would be meeting shortly to take a decision about the seating in the auditorium. The Development Director reported that there would be meeting with a potential donor for the conversion of the Old Library. Council noted that an accommodation had been reached with junior members concerning the issue of rent rebates for those students affected by the building work.

- cc2018.221 *CCTV*
Council noted that the current positioning of many CCTV cameras rendered them vulnerable to weather degradation, and approved their gradual relocation to sheltered positions where appropriate, provided that the respect of individual privacy was not compromised. Council agreed that the Porters would be consulted about whether any gaps existed in the CCTV coverage regarding external security.
- cc2018.222 *Committee on Committees*
Council appointed the Operations Manager to the Accommodation Committee. Suggestions for further members of the Buildings and Estates Committee and the IT Committee were by circulation.
- cc2018.223 *USS Consultation*
Council approved the Bursar's Draft Paper to the Independent Committee on the Universities Superannuation Scheme (**CP2018/111**). Council noted that because the vast majority of Fellows were members of USS, and therefore conflicted, the Governing Body had established a committee comprising the Master and Dr Summers (who are not members of USS), along with Ms Julia Fordham (SE 1984) and Mr Andrew Horton (SE 1981) as external representatives, to respond on behalf of the College. Council agreed that the Draft Paper would be circulated to the Governing Body for information.
- cc2018.224 *SCRs and Fellows' Parlour*
Council approved the cleaning, restoration and repair of the rugs in the New SCR and the Old SCR, at a cost of £10,000 and £2,200 respectively, excluding VAT.
- cc2018.225 *Mighty Players*
Council gave permission for the Mighty Players to hold performances of 'Northanger Abbey' in the Chapel on the evenings of 1-3 November 2018.
- cc2018.226 *College Music Awards*
Council approved the College Music Awards listed in **CP2018/112**, with the amendment that Felix Blake's Instrumental Award was for flute and not piano.
- cc2018.227 *Wedding blessing in Chapel*
Council noted that the Chaplain would conduct a service of blessing after the marriage of Ruta Zelviene and Peter Andrews in the Chapel at 2.30 pm on Saturday 20 October.
- cc2018.228 *Professor Wallace*
Council agreed that a memorial event for Professor Ken Wallace would be held on Tuesday 19 March 2019. It was agreed that this would take the form of a Choral Evensong, rather than a memorial service, in line with Professor Wallace's wishes. It would be followed by a dinner in Hall for Fellows and their partners, Professor Wallace's family, and College



guests. More detailed arrangements would be discussed at subsequent Council meetings.

cc2018.229 *Use of the College shield on keyrings*
Council gave permission to the MCR to use the College shield on bottle-opener keyrings that would be distributed at the MCR Christmas Dinner.

cc2018.230 *MCR Annual Dinner, 2019*
Council gave permission for the MCR Annual Dinner to be held on 14 June 2019, the last day of the Quiet Period, noting that all other Fridays and Saturdays in June were already booked.

cc2018.231 *Fellow Benefactor*
Council noted that Mr Tom Bartlam (SE 1966) would be admitted as a Fellow Benefactor before High Table on Thursday 25 October 2018.

cc2018.232 *Any Other Unreserved Business*

i. Application to the Garfield Weston Foundation

The Development Director reported that the College was applying for a grant of up to £500,000 from the Garfield Weston Foundation in support of Phase III. A key criterion was the public benefit that the new auditorium could offer to non-University organisations such as clubs, societies, schools or charities. Council authorised the Development Director to write to all Fellows requesting the names of any such organisations with which they were associated, and also to make a similar approach to the MCR and the JCR.

ii. Curator of Paintings

The Vice-Master reported that Newnham College had recently appointed a professional Curator of Paintings, working one day a week. Informal conversations had indicated that this Curator was also willing to offer one day a week to Selwyn. Council approved further discussion in principle, with a view to a formal proposal for a time-limited appointment being brought to the next Council meeting.

